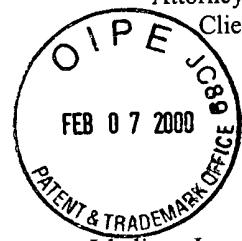


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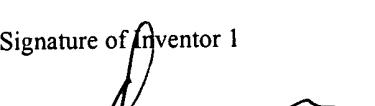
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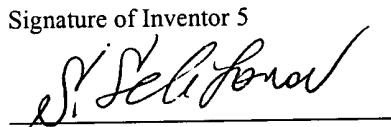
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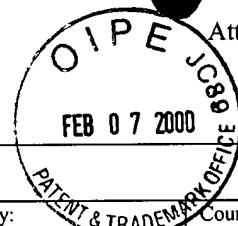
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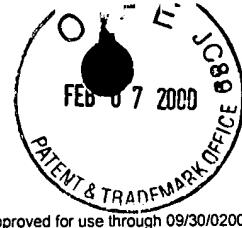
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Maxygen, Inc., a **Delaware corporation**

(Name of Assignee)

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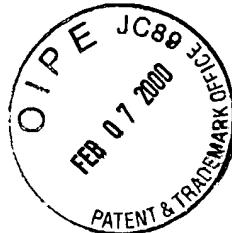
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Filing Date: November 9, 1999

Application No.: 09/437,726; and

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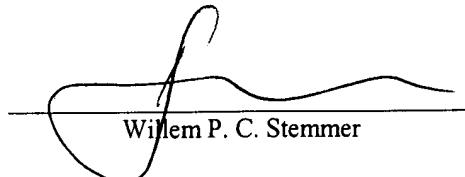
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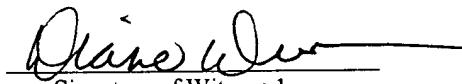
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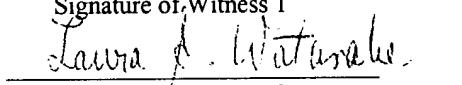
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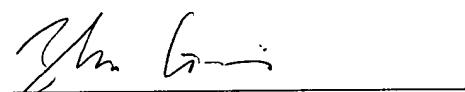
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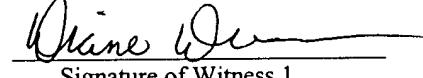
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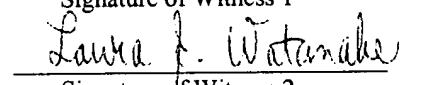
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